IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA OR DA OO OCTO

No. DA 09-0676

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT STATE OF MONTANA

STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff and Appellee,

FILED

v.

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WILLIAM NIGRO,

Ed Smith
CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF MONTANA

Defendant and Appellant.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT

COMES NOW, Jennifer A. Hurley, counsel of record for Defendant and Appellant, and respectfully requests an extension of time until September 24, 2010, in which to prepare, file, and serve the Appellant's opening brief in the above-entitled matter. In support of this motion, undersigned counsel respectfully submits the following affidavit.

Respectfully submitted this 18th day of August, 2010.

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ENNIFER A. HURLEY

Assistant Appellate Defender

STATE OF MONTANA) : ss.

County of Lewis and Clark)

I, Jennifer A. Hurley, being first duly sworn upon my oath, depose and state as follows:

- 1. I am a licensed, practicing attorney in the State of Montana, and am currently employed by the Office of State Public Defender, Appellate Defender Office, as an Assistant Appellate Defender.
- 2. In my capacity as Assistant Appellate Defender, I have been assigned to handle the above-entitled matter.
- 3. The Appellant's brief was first due on July 26, 2010. The brief is presently due on August 25, 2010. This is Appellant's second request for an extension.
- 4. Counsel is currently working on the above-captioned matter.

 Additionally, counsel has an opening brief in *State v. Dalton*, DA 10-0042, due

 August 18, 2010, and an opening brief in *State v. Rodriguez*, DA 10-0128, due

 September 6, 2010.
- 5. On May 19, 2010, this Court granted Mr. Nigro's pro se motion for appointment of counsel on appeal. After the Appellate Defender Officer determined that Mr. Nigro qualified for its services, counsel entered her appearance on June 25, 2010.

- 6. The municipal court record in this matter was not transmitted with the district court record. The Court did not receive the municipal court record until on or about August 5, 2010, which has caused further delay in counsel's review of the matter.
- 7. In light of this current workload and delay, counsel has not been able to complete briefing and consult with the client in time to file the brief by the current deadline.
- 8. Counsel will work diligently to complete the matter in the time requested.
- 9. Opposing counsel has been contacted regarding this motion and does not object.
 - 10. Further your affiant sayeth naught.

JENNIFER A. HURLE

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I caused a true and accurate copy of the foregoing

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